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IN AND FOR DIVISION II

THOMAS D. REYNOLDS

Appellant,

vs.

STATE OF WASHINGTON,

Respondent,

No. 41609-3-II

RAP 10.10 STATEMENT OF
ADDITIONAL GROUNDS

COMES NOW Appellant, Thomas D. Reynolds, pro se, Herby Submits
The following RAP 10.10 Statement of Additional
Grounds

I. ISSUES PRESENTED

a. Should Appellant Counsel argue the special verdict jury instruction number 14 was an incorrect statement of law and amounted to an error of constitutional magnitude?

b. Should Appellant Counsel argue the admission of the computer generated map was improper lacking authentication for evidence?

c. Should Appellant Counsel argue the admission of testimony of an intoxicated witness?

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1 d. Should Appellant Counsel argue Appellants Sixth Amendment right to
2 confrontation to the admission of witnesses drug use?

3 e. Should Appellant counsel argue Appellants Sixth Amendment right to
4 confrontation of the confidential informants?

5 f. Should the Court remand this case for new trial based on an insufficient
6 record on review?

7 **II. RELEVANT FACT**

8 Mr. Reynolds was charged by information filed in Cowlitz County Superior Court
9 with one count of delivery of a controlled substance (heroin), in violation of RCW
10 69.50.401(1). CP 5-6. The information contained a special allegation under RCW
11 69.50.435(1)(c) that the offense was committed within 1000 feet of a school bus route
12 stop. CP 6. After jury trial Mr. Reynolds was convicted of delivery of a controlled
13 substance and the jury found that the crime was committed within 1000 feet of a school
14 bus route stop for the 24 month enhancement of his sentence.

15 On June 2, 2011, Mr. Reynolds Appellant Counsel, Peter B. Tiller filed an
16 opening brief on behalf of Mr. Reynolds, in which he argued the trial court erred when
17 it denied Mr. Reynolds a sentence below the standard range, and that Mr. Reynolds
18 was deprived of his constitutional right to effective assistance of counsel at sentencing.

19 Mr. Reynolds received the report of proceedings and discovered that there were
20 numerous errors and missing parts in the record that are relevant to issues he wishes to
21 raise on appeal. For example part Ed Fairman's testimony is missing from the record
22 and parts of the pre trial hearings. Also all through the report of proceedings are
23 inaccurately transcribed and missing relevant portions.

24 Mr. Reynolds contends that the following issues have probable merit and now
25 moves the court to order Appellants Counsel Peter B. Tiller to brief why these issues
have no merit on direct appeal.

1 **III. ARGUMENT**

2 **a. Appellant counsel should argue the special verdict instruction number**
3 **14 was an incorrect statement of the law and amounted to an error of**
4 **constitutional magnitude.** The jury in Mr. Reynolds case was instructed it must be
5 unanimous in answering the special verdict forms. Number 14, the concluding
6 instruction provided in relevant part:

7 “You will also be given a special verdict form for the
8 crime of Delivery of a Controlled Substance as charged in count I.

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1 If you find the defendant not guilty of this crime, do not use
the special verdict form.

2 If you find the defendant guilty of count I, you will then
3 use the special verdict form designated for Count I and fill in
4 the blank with the answer "yes" or "no" according to the
5 decision you reach. Because this is a criminal case, all
6 twelve of you must agree in order to answer "yes" on the
7 special verdict form. In order to answer the special verdict
form "yes", you must unanimously be satisfied beyond a
reasonable doubt that "yes" is the correct answer. If any of
you have a reasonable doubt as to this question, you must
answer "no".

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9 See attached Appendix A.

10 In instruction number 13, the Court instructed the jury "Because this is a criminal
11 case, each of you must agree for you to return a verdict." See attached Appendix B.

12 A unanimous jury decision is not required to find the state has failed to prove the
13 presence of a special finding increasing the defendant's maximum allowable sentence.

14 A no unanimous jury decision is a final determination that the state has not proved the
15 special verdict beyond a reasonable doubt. State v. Goldberg, 149 Wn.2d 888, 72
16 P.3d 1083 (2003). In keeping with this rule, it is manifest constitutional error to instruct
17 the jury it must be unanimous in order to find the *absence* of such a special finding.

18 State v. Bashaw, 169 Wn.2d 133, 234 P.3d 195 (2010); State v. Ryan, 160 Wn.App.
19 94.
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21 In Bashaw, Bertha Bashaw was convicted of three drug deliveries. Because the
22 jury determined that each delivery took place within 1,000 feet of a school bus route
23 stop, her maximum sentence was doubled by statute. Bashaw, 169 Wn.2d at 137. In
24 the jury instruction explaining the special verdict forms, the jury was instructed: "Since
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1 this is a criminal case, all twelve of you must agree on the answer to the special
2 verdict." Bashaw, 169 Wn.2d at 139 (citation to record omitted). On appeal, Bashaw
3 argued that the jury instruction incorrectly required unanimity for finding that her actions
4 did not take place within 1,000 feet of the school bus route stop. Bashaw, at 137.

5 The Supreme Court agreed:

6 Though unanimity is required to find the *presence* of a special
7 finding increasing the maximum penalty, See Goldberg, 149 Wn.2d
8 at 893, 72 P.3d 1083, it is not required to find the *absence* of such
a special verdict finding. The jury instruction here stated that
unanimity was required for either determination. That was error.

9 Bashaw, 169 Wn.2d at 147 (emphasis in original):

10 The state argued the error was harmless, but the court disagreed:

11 In order to hold that a jury instruction error was harmless,
12 "we must 'conclude beyond a reasonable doubt that the jury verdict
13 would have been the same absent the error.'" State v. Brown, 147
Wn.2d 330, 341, 58 P.3d 889 (2002) (quoting Neder v. United
14 States, 527 U.S. 1, 19, 119 S.Ct. 1827, 144 L.Ed.2d 35 (1999)).
The State argues, and the court of Appeals agreed, that any error
15 in the instruction was harmless because the trial court polled the
jury and the jurors affirmed the verdict, demonstrating it was
16 unanimous. This argument misses the point. The error here was
the procedure by which unanimity would be inappropriately
17 achieved. In Goldberg, the error reversed by this court was the trial
court's instruction to a nonunanimous jury to reach unanimity. 149
18 Wn.2d at 893, 72 P.3d 1083. The error here is identical except for
the fact that the direction to reach unanimity was given
preemptively.

19 The result of the flawed deliberative process tells us little about
20 what result the jury would have reached had it been given a correct
instruction. Goldberg is illustrative. There, the jury initially
21 answered "no" to the special verdict, based on a lack of unanimity,
until told it must reach a unanimous verdict, at which point it
22 answered "yes." *Id.* at 891-93, 72 P.3d 1083. Given different
instructions, the jury returned different verdicts. We can only
23 speculate as to why this might be so. For instance, when unanimity
is required, jurors with reservations might not hold to their positions
24 or may not raise additional questions that would lead to a different
result. We cannot say with any confidence what might have
25 occurred had the jury been properly instructed. We therefore

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1 cannot conclude beyond a reasonable doubt that the jury
2 instruction error was harmless. As such, we vacate the remaining
3 sentence enhancements and remand for further proceedings
4 consistent with this opinion.
5 Bashaw, 169 Wn.2d at 147-48.

6 In Ryan, the Court held the nature of the error addressed in Bashaw was a
7 constitutional due process violation. As the Court explained:

8 The Bashaw court strongly suggests its decision is grounded in due
9 process. The court identified the error as "the procedure by which
10 unanimity would be appropriately achieved," and referred to "the flawed
11 deliberative process" resulting from the erroneous instruction. The court
12 then concluded the error could not be deemed harmless beyond a
13 reasonable doubt, which is the constitutional harmless error standard.
14 The court refused to find the error harmless even where the jury
15 expressed no confusion and returned a unanimous verdict in the
16 affirmative. We are constrained to conclude that under Bashaw, the error
17 must be treated as one of constitutional magnitude and is not harmless.

18 Ryan, 160 Wn.App. 944, 2011 WL 1239796, *2 (footnotes omitted CF. State v. Nunez,
19 160 Wn.App. 150, 163, 248 P.3d 103 (2011))

20 Accordingly, where Ryan's jury was instructed it must unanimously have a
21 reasonable doubt to answer "no" to the special verdict, it was error Ryan could raise for
22 the first time on appeal and entitled him to vacation of the deadly weapon enhancement.
23 Ryan, 2011 WL 1239796, *2-3

24 The jury in Mr. Reynolds case was instructed it must be unanimous in answering
25 the special verdict forms. Number 13, the concluding instruction provided in relevant
part:

Because this is a criminal case, each of you must agree for you to
return a verdict. When all of you have so agreed, fill in the proper form of
verdict or verdicts to express your decision. The presiding juror must sign
the verdict forms and notify the bailiff. The bailiff will bring you into court to
declare your verdict.

1 See Appendix B (emphasis added).

2 "You will also be given a special verdict form for the crime
3 of Delivery of a controlled Substance as charged in count I.
4 If you find the defendant not guilty of this crime, do not use
5 the special verdict form.

6 If you find the defendant guilty of count I, you will then
7 use the special verdict form designated for Count I and fill in
8 the blank with the answer "yes" or "no" according to the
9 decision you reach. Because this is a criminal case, all
10 twelve of you must agree in order to answer "yes" on the
11 special verdict form. In order to answer the special verdict
12 form "yes", you must unanimously be satisfied beyond a
13 reasonable doubt that "yes" is the correct answer. If any of
14 you have a reasonable doubt as to this question, you must
15 answer "no".

16 See attached Appendix A. (emphasis added)

17 As in Bashaw and Ryan, the jury here was instructed it must be unanimous to
18 return a verdict. Although the last line of the instruction did not state the jury must
19 unanimously have a reasonable doubt to answer "no" to the special verdict, the jury
20 would have no reason to distinguish between a general verdict and a special verdict. It
21 was instructed it must be unanimous to return a verdict, any verdict, period.
22 Accordingly, the error here is no different than in Bashaw and Ryan. It was an error of
23 constitutional magnitude that may be raised for the first time on appeal and is not
24 harmless, as it resulted in a flawed deliberative process.

25 Therefore, Mr. Reynolds respectfully requests the court order Appellant counsel
to brief this issue as to why it has no probable merit.

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1 **b. Appellant counsel should argue the admission of the computer**
2 **generated map was improper lacking authentication for evidence.** The state
3 introduced Ruth Bunch, Geographic Information Systems Coordinator for the city of
4 Longview to establish that Mr. Reynolds crime happened within 1000 feet of a school
5 bus route stop. (Appendix C, Page 145). Ms. Bunch discussed the computer mapping
6 device used but never established that the measuring device used was functioning
7 properly and provided accurate results at the time of its use (See Appendix C, Page 145
8 – 154). In fact the apartments where the alleged delivery took place was not even on
9 the map that Ms. Bunch provided (See Appendix C, Page 157 Lines 14 – 21). Again the
10 Bashaw court stated:

11 I. The Trial Court Abused Its Discretion by Admitting Testimony about the
12 Results of a Measuring Device without Any Showing of Reliability

13 The first issue in this case concerns the showing of reliability
14 necessary for a trial court to admit testimony about the results of a
15 measuring device. In accordance with analogous precedent, we hold that
16 admission of results from a distance measuring device requires a showing
17 that the particular device was functioning properly and produced accurate
18 results. Because the State produced no evidence that the distance
19 measuring device here produced accurate results, its admission was error
20 and an abuse of discretion. That error, however, was harmless as to
21 counts II and III but not as to count I. Accordingly, we vacate the sentence
22 enhancement with respect to count I on this basis.

23 *A. Evidence Must Be Authenticated Prior to Admission*

24 It is fundamental that evidence must be authenticated before it is
25 admitted. See ER 901(a). Authentication requires that the proponent
produce proof "sufficient to support a finding that the matter in question is
what its proponent claims." *Id.* The party offering the evidence must make
a prima facie showing consisting of proof that is sufficient "to permit a
reasonable juror to find in favor of authenticity or identification." *State v.*
Payne, 117 Wn. App. 99, 106, 69 P.3d 889 (2003); see also Judicial
Council Cmt. 901, cited in 5C Karl B. Tegland, Washington Practice:
Evidence Law and Practice 901.1, at 283 n.3 (5th ed. 2007).

Conceptually, authentication is a process of establishing conditional relevance. See Judicial Council Cmt. 901, *cited in* 5C Teglund, *supra*, 901.1, at 283 n.3; see also Robert H. Aronson, The Law of Evidence in Washington 901.05(1), at 901-12 (4th ed. 2008) ("Unless evidence is in fact what it purports to be, it is not relevant."). As observed in *Washington Practice*, "a photograph might be relevant, but only if it accurately depicts the subject"; "[an audio] recording might be relevant, but only if the sounds were recorded faithfully and the voices are accurately identified." 5C Teglund, *supra*, 901.1, at 283. Likewise, a distance measurement may be relevant, but only if it is accurately measured.

In a line of cases analogous to the present one, the courts of this state have held that, under ER 901, speed measuring devices, such as radar devices, must be authenticated in order for their results to be admissible. See *City of Bellevue v. Mociulski*, 51 Wn. App. 855, 859-60, 756 P.2d 1320 (1988); see also *City of Bellevue v. Hellenthal*, 144 Wn.2d 425, 431-32, 28 P.3d 744 (2001) (citing *Mociulski*, 51 Wn. App. at {234 P.3d 200} 860-61, with approval); *City of Bellevue v. Lightfoot*, 75 Wn. App. 214, 221, 877 P.2d 247 (1994) ("police traffic radar results are not admissible unless the particular radar device used is shown to be reliable"); *City of Seattle v. Peterson*, 39 Wn. App. 524, 527, 693 P.2d 757 (1985) (holding that evidence of a machine's reliability is a prerequisite to admission of the machine's results). Authentication of such devices requires a showing that the particular unit "was functioning properly and produced accurate {169 Wn.2d 142} results" at the time it was employed. *Lightfoot*, 75 Wn. App. at 221. 2

We agree with the formulation of the Court of Appeals, as expressed in the speed measuring device line of cases, regarding the authentication required prior to admission of measurements made by mechanical devices. The rules of evidence, analogous case law, and common sense all dictate that before the State introduces evidence that will result in a mandatory penalty enhancement, the State must show that the evidence it relies upon is accurate. Simply put, results of a mechanical device are not relevant, and therefore are inadmissible, until the party offering the results makes a prima facie showing that the device was functioning properly and produced accurate results. This is consistent with the rationale underlying the requirement of authentication. See 5C Teglund, *supra*, 901.1, at 283. As such, we hold that the principle articulated in the context of speed measuring devices also applies to distance measuring devices: a showing that the device is functioning properly and producing accurate results is, under ER 901(a), a prerequisite to admission of the results.

Bashaw 169 wn.2d at 141-42.

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1 Therefore, Mr. Reynolds respectfully requests the Court order Appellant Counsel
2 to brief this issue as to why it has no probable merit.

3 **c. Appellant Counsel should argue the admission of testimony of an**
4 **intoxicated witness was a manifest abuse of discretion.** The state produced
5 Edward Roy Fairman to testify. Before Mr. Fairman was to testify in front of the jury, Mr.
6 Morgan notified the court that Mr. Fairman was intoxicated and admitted to using heroin
7 earlier in the day (See Appendix D, Page 77-78). Mr. Morgan then moved to exclude
8 Mr. Fairman's testimony pursuant to RCW 5.60.050 which provides.

9 "The following persons shall not be competent to testify" (1) Those who
10 are of unsound mind, or intoxicated at the time of their production for
11 examination, and (2) Those who appear incapable of receiving just
12 impressions of the facts, respecting which they are examined, or of
13 relating them truly.

14 RCW 5.60.050 (emphasis mine);

15 This rule mandates that a person who is intoxicated at the time of their testimony
16 "Shall not be competent to testify" The Supreme Court has determined that:

17 N. Singer, Statutory Construction 57.03 (4th ed. 1984) states as follows:

18 Where the language of a statute is clear and unambiguous, courts may
19 hold that the construction intended by the legislature is obvious from the
20 language used. The ordinary meaning of language should always be
21 favored. The form of the verb used in a statute, i.e., something "may,"
22 "shall" or "must" be done, is the single most important textual
23 consideration determining whether a statute is mandatory or directory. . . .

24 . . . "Ordinarily, the use of the word 'shall' in a statute carries with it the
25 presumption that it is used in the imperative rather than in the directory
26 sense. . . ."

(Footnotes omitted.) This rule was explained and applied to a statutory
provision of reasonable attorney's fees under a garnishment statute in
Burr v. Lane, 10 Wn. App. 661, 677-78, 517 P.2d 988 (1984), which held:

1 Whether the word "shall" is to receive a mandatory or permissive
2 interpretation is a matter of legislative intention. *Spokane County ex rel.*
3 *Sullivan v. Glover*, 2 Wn.2d 162, 97 P.2d 628 (1940). As pointed out in
4 *Snyder v. Cox*, 1 Wn. App. 457, 462 P.2d 573 (1969), a garnishment case
5 in which the court held the word "shall" used in a portion of RCW 7.32.160
6 is mandatory:

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8 If the right of anyone depends upon giving the word *shall* an imperative
9 construction, the presumption is that *shall* is used in reference to that right
10 or benefit, and it receives a mandatory interpretation.

11 Singleton v. Frost, 108 Wn.2d 723, 728, 742 P.2d 1224 (1987);

12 Therefore Mr. Reynolds respectfully requests the Court order Appellant Counsel
13 to brief this issue as to why it has no probable merit.

14 **d. Appellant Counsel should argue Appellants Sixth Amendment right to**
15 **confrontation to the admission of witnesses drug use.** During pre trial motions the
16 Defense counsel moved to admit evidence of Mr. Fairmans drug use at the time that the
17 investigation was ongoing, including on or around February 18, 2010, the day in
18 question (See Appendix F, page 26). Defense Counsel stated he interviewed Mr.
19 Fairman, and Mr. Fairman stated that after interring into a contract as a confidential
20 informant , he still used heroin on a daily basis. Id. "The Court replied before he
21 testifies let's ask him directly weather he had used that day, and it's probably relevant"
22 (See Appendix F, Page 27). The Court reserved judgment on ruling while the Court
23 familiarized its self with the case (See Appendix F, Page 29). Then when the issue was
24 re addressed by the court Mr. Fairman was not questioned about his drug use on that
25 day (See Appendix D, Page 76 – 77). The Court ruled "all right. I failed to see the
relevance so I am not allowing any testimony about his drug use." (See Appendix D,
Page 77). It should be remembered that Mr. Fairman admitted to using heroin on the

1 day of his testimony, but the Court would not allow Defense Counsel to question him
2 about this use.

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4 Therefore Mr. Reynolds respectfully requests the Court order Appellant Counsel
5 to brief this issue as to why it has no probable merit.

6 **e. Appellant Counsel should argue Appellants sixth amendment right to**
7 **confrontation of the confidential informants placing defendant on a list of higher**
8 **level drug dealers.** The state produced Detective Streissguth, who testified that Mr.
9 Reynolds had been placed on a list of "next level up" drug dealers (See Appendix G,
10 Page 37, line 2 – 8). The Detective determined this through intelligence and provided
11 by several different informants who provide intelligence on a daily basis. The state next
12 asked "so would it be fair to say then you take the list he provides then you cross
13 reference it with the intelligence you already have?" The detective answered "definitely"
14 (See Appendix G, Page 37, Lines 22 – 25). The defense attorney then objects for
15 hearsay. The Court overruled the objection. Then the state questioned "and so that
16 was what ultimately identified in this case you decided to go after Mr. Reynolds and he
17 was on the list." (See Appendix G, Page 38, Line 4 – 6). The Detective answered
18 correct. The Defense attorney again objected to hearsay citing the sixth amendment
19 right to confrontation. The Court did not sustain the objection and the state was allowed
20 to continue along that line of questioning (See Appendix G, Pages 36 – 39).

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22 In State v. Pugh, 167 Wn.2d 825, , 225 P.3d 892 (2009) the supreme Court
23 stated :

24 "The Sixth Amendment provides that "[i]n all criminal prosecutions,
25 the accused shall enjoy the right . . . to be confronted with the witnesses
against him." U.S. Const. amend. VI. The confrontation clause "applies to

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2 'witnesses' against the accused-in other words, those who 'bear
3 testimony.'" *Crawford v. Washington*, 541 U.S. 36, 51, 124 S. Ct.
4 1354, 158 L. Ed. 2d 177 (2004) (citation omitted). It ``bars
5 'admission of testimonial statements of a witness who did not
6 appear at trial unless'' the witness ``was unavailable to testify, and
7 the defendant had had a prior opportunity for cross-examination.'" *Davis v. Washington*, 547 U.S. 813, 821, 126 S. Ct. 2266, 165 L.
8 Ed. 2d 224 (2006) (quoting *Crawford*, 541 U.S. at 53-54).
9 Nontestimonial hearsay, on the other hand, is admissible under the
Sixth Amendment {167 Wn.2d 832} subject only to the rules of
evidence. *Davis*, 547 U.S. at 821.

10 State v. Pugh, 167 Wn.2d at 832.

11 Therefore Mr. Reynolds respectfully requests the Court order appellant counsel
12 to brief this issue.

13 **f. The Court Should remand This Case For A New Trial Based On An**
14 **Insufficient Record On review.** Mr. Reynolds received the verbatim report of
15 proceedings and discovered that there was several missing parts in the record and
16 several errors in transcribing the report of proceedings. There is so many errors and
17 missing portions throughout the transcripts that Mr. Reynolds cannot point to each
18 discrepancy. Mr. Reynolds believes that the record cannot be supplemented by
19 affidavits as the missing portions and errors are to numerous. In State v. Tilton, 149
20 Wn.2d 775, 72 P.3d 735 (2003) the Supreme Court stated;

21 "The usual remedy for a defective record is to supplement the
22 record with appropriate affidavits and have discrepancies resolved
23 by the judge who heard the case. RAP 9.3, 9.4, 9.5. However,
24 where the affidavits are unable to produce a record which
25 satisfactorily recounts the events material to the issues on appeal,
the appellate court must order a new trial. For example, in *State v.*
Larson, 62 Wn.2d 64, 381 P.2d 120 (1963), this court held that the
reconstructed record was insufficient and ordered a new trial. The

1 court reporter's notes from the entire trial were lost and the trial
2 judge prepared a narrative statement of facts based on his notes.
3 *Id.* at 65.

4 This court found the reconstructed record inadequate. The defense
5 attorney, who had not been the attorney at trial, was unable to test
6 the "sufficiency of completeness" of the narrative statement of facts
7 and was unable to satisfactorily determine what errors to assign for
8 review. *Id.* at 67. The lack of a sufficient record constituted a denial
9 of due process, and the court reversed the convictions and
10 remanded for a new trial. "

11 **State v. Tilton**, 149 Wn.2d at 783.

12 Therefore this Court should remand this case back to the trial court for a new trial
13 to establish an adequate record for review.

14 **IV. CONCLUSION**

15 Mr. Reynolds respectfully request the Court order Appellants Counsel Peter B.
16 Tiller, to brief the above arguments as to why they have no probable merit. If the Court
17 or Mr. Tiller finds probable merit on any of the above issues, Mr. Reynolds respectfully
18 requests the Court order Mr. Tiller to add the issue(s) in a supplemental brief and
19 remand this case to the trial court for a new trial to develop an appropriate record on
20 review.

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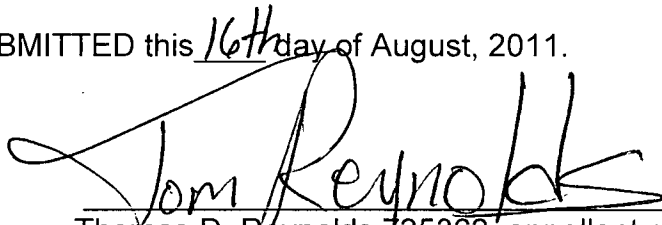
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1 **V. VERIFICATION**

2 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Washington State that the
3 foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

4 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16th day of August, 2011.

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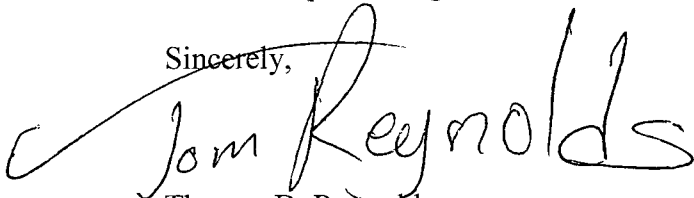
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Dear Clerk,

Enclosed please find my RAP 10.10 Statement of Additional Grounds and declaration of service for processing in the above named cause.

Sincerely,



Thomas D. Reynolds

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GR 3.1 DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Thomas D. Reynolds declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Washington State that today I mailed a true copy of my RAP 10.10 Statement of Additional Grounds to Appellant's Counsel, Respondents Counsel and to the Clerk of the Court, at their respective address of record, in State v. Reynolds, COA. No. 41609-3-II, by placing said document in the prison "Legal Mail" system postage pre paid.

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